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Joint Resolution

Nov. 6, 1986 [S.J. Res. 427] Reaffirming our friendship and sympathy with the people of El Salvador following the devastating earthquake of October 10, 1986.

Whereas on October 10, 1986, El Salvador suffered a devastating earthquake resulting in heavy loss of life and injuries to many of its citizens;

Whereas the prolonged and extreme hardship of the people of El Salvador as a result of civil conflict has been deepened by this

natural disaster:

Whereas the assistance of many governments, as well as international and nongovernmental organizations, for the people of El

Salvador has been prompt and generous;

Whereas Secretary of State George Shultz will visit El Salvador during this emergency in order to convey the solidarity and friendship which link the peoples of our two nations: Now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Government of the United States, on behalf of the citizens of the United States, extends to the people and Government of El Salvador our most profound sympathies in this time of tragedy.

SEC. 2. The President should provide all appropriate relief and rehabilitation assistance to help prevent further loss of life, alleviate

suffering, and safeguard the public health in El Salvador.

SEC. 3. The United States, in consultation with the Government of El Salvador, is prepared to cooperate with El Salvador in long-term efforts to recover from the effects of the earthquake.

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